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Will Ask State to Get Jobs for Deaf

A. R. Spear and Commissioner Houk
Make Aid Bureau More Than
Possibility.

Establishment of a bureau in Minnesota to study the question of employment for the deaf and to assist deaf mutes in obtaining work at which they may earn a livelihood has become more than a possibility. Correspondence on the subject between A. R. Spear, 420-428 Third Street, N. Minneapolis, and W. F. Houk, state labor commissioner, St. Paul, made public today, indicates that the state bureau of industries and commerce is willing to use all of its influence to obtain the necessary legislation for the institution of such a bureau division and will take up the work when the division is created. Mr. Spear said he would present the matter to the next legislature. Mr. Houk also is of the opinion that the study of employment for the blind and the obtaining of work for the blind should be included in the work of the proposed bureau.

"I have always taken a keen interest in the welfare of the deaf," said Mr. Spear, "and some time ago B. B. Sheffield, president of the board of directors of the state school for the deaf, suggested to me that an agency should be established that would devote its time to the study of the question of labor for the deaf and to assisting them.

"The same suggestion was made by The Journal. It appeared to me that the department of labor might take up this work to advantage and I suggested the matter to Commissioner Houk."

Mr. Spear said he believed such a bureau, if established, should:

Make a thorough study of the question of labor among the deaf.

Find out what lines of work they can take up to best advantage.

Determining which occupations afford the widest opportunities for them.

Acquaint the business men with the competency of deaf persons.

Assist the deaf in many other ways.

"The agency could co-operate with the state school at Faribault," said Mr. Spear, "and if the industrial training and general education given pu-



MEAD HALL, State School for Deaf and Blind at Vancouver, Wash.

The above is one of the large buildings at the Washington State school new buildings built the past year and located at Vancouver. Soon we hope designed by Olof Hanson.



The above is one of the first school buildings of the Washington State school.

pils at the school were found lacking, or not up to the standard required to meet actual conditions of life, recommendations for changes and improvements could be made. I hope to present the matter at the next session of the legislature and trust the bureau may be established."

Both Could Aid Project.

In his letter to Commissioner Houk Mr. Spear said in part:

"It has been suggested to me that there should be such a department, a bureau to make a specialty of looking after the labor interests of the deaf and there is, it seems to me, necessity for it.

"I beg to ask you if such a division could not be established in your office and under your supervision, to be in charge of a deaf man who understands the situation as relative to the deaf?

"To establish such department it would probably require some legislation and a small appropriation to carry it on, but I believe the great benefits that would be derived would fully justify the work."

In his reply Commissioner Houk said in part:

"I beg to advise you that such a department unquestionably would be of great benefit to the deaf and dumb, but if such a bureau were established it should also include the blind and the state school at Owatonna.

"The bureau of labor could take up this work if such a bureau should be established.

"The bureau of labor would be glad to be of assistance in securing the necessary legislation for the establishment of a division along these lines."

—Minneapolis Journal.

HELPING THE DEAF TO FIND WORK.

To the Editor of the Journal.

It is hard to find words strong enough to commend your effort to enlighten the public in regard to the difficulties against which the deaf have to contend in making their way in the world, or, more accurately, perhaps, in securing employment. Nor is this all. You have suggested a very efficacious solution of the problem—an employment bureau or agency whose business it should be to assist them in securing work. I note also that Mr. Spear thinks well of your idea, and that Mr. Sheffield, president of the board of trustees of the Minnesota school for the Deaf, suggested the same idea. There seems to be no mistake about it. Thousands of the hearing are now being assisted in a similar way, why should not the deaf, and emphatically so, since they are so terribly handicapped? About fifteen years ago as chairman of a committee of the National Association of the Deaf I embodied this very idea in a circular to superintendents of schools for the deaf, and to this day I have never for a moment doubted that it was a good one. And it is, therefore, very gratifying to note that the editor of such an influential journal as yours advocates the same thing for us deaf people, and not only that, but others right in Minneapolis who are in a position to know are seconding the idea. So long does it often take for a good thing to take root, that no doubt many of us often feel the force of the proverb, "The mills of the gods grind slowly, and they grind exceedingly small." Were other papers for the hearing to assume the same attitude as yours and to make like pleas, what a world of help it would be to the deaf.—Warren Robinson.

Delavan, Wis., Jan. 27.

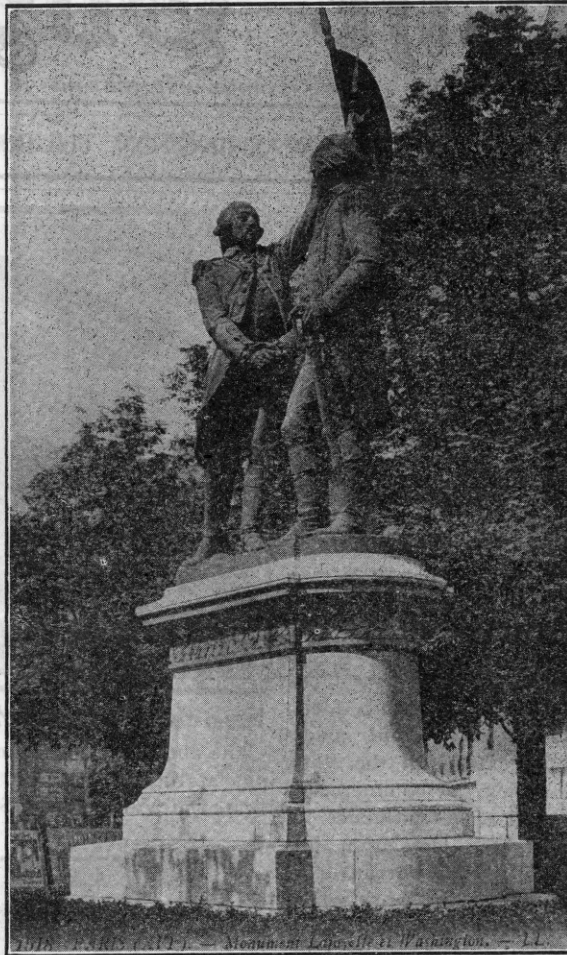
The report of Lyman M. Hunt, director of the Industrial Bureau, from June 1st to Dec. 1st (condensed), shows the following summary:

On hand June 1st.....\$40.00
Receipts June 1 to Dec. 1.... 57.01

Total\$97.01
Expenditures June 1—Dec. 1.. 65.49

Balance on hand Dec. 1.....\$31.52

A fire last fall in their tent destroyed almost everything including a typewriter and all the clothing in camp. Mr Hunt desires all who have subscription blanks to send them in at once with the amounts collected. His address is: Lyman M. Hunt, R. F. D. No. 1, Koshkonong, Mo.



STATUE OF WASHINGTON AND LAFAYETTE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

The Washingtonian tells of the case of a deaf man at Lead, S. D., who called at a house one night on business. It was his own house which he had rented. It happened that the man was away and his wife was alone. She was frightened when the man at the door said nothing and did not answer when spoken to, so she shot and killed him. This is not the only case of the kind on record. The obvious warning to the deaf is not to go alone to houses at night where they are not expected. The editor of this paper had an experience some years ago that impressed this lesson on him very forcibly. He went to

a strange house in the city to make an inquiry. The door was opened by a little girl. The editor spoke to her, but she did not seem to understand. Then he pulled out his pencil and tablet to write. The little girl screamed and ran into another room. Out came her pa with a chair raised over his head with the apparent purpose of braining the unfortunate editor on the spot. Explanations averted a tragedy. If the man had had a pistol instead of a chair, somebody else might have to tell this story. Since then the editor has carefully eschewed calling at unknown places after nightfall.—Minnesota Companion.

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Mr. L. O. Christenson, Publisher of The Observer,

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I WANDERED LONELY AS A CLOUD.

I wandered lonely as a cloud
 That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
 When all at once I saw a crowd,
 A host of daffodils;
 Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
 Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.
 Continuous as the stars that shine,
 And twinkle in the Milky Way,
 They stretched in ever-ending line
 Along the margin of the bay;
 Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
 Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.
 The waves beside them danced; but they
 Outdid the sparkling waves in glee:
 A poet could not but be gay
 In such a jocund company.
 I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
 What wealth the show to me had brought.
 For oft, when on my couch I lie
 In vacant or in pensive mood,
 They flash upon the inward eye,
 Which is the bliss of solitude,
 And then my heart with pleasure fills,
 And dances with the daffodils. —Wm. Wordsworth.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

We heartily endorse the appeal of President Hanson for an increased membership of the deaf in this excellent Association. There is a large work to be done in encouraging the use of the oral system within its proper sphere, in amplifying and adorning the sign language, in exacting the rights of the deaf in Civil Service, and urging their progress to positions of greater usefulness and respect in social society, and this work can be the more quickly and securely accomplished by the united and harmonious action of a large membership. It should be accepted as an axiom that the hands of the constituted officers should be sustained and strengthened.—Ephphetha.

THE FIRST HELLO.

The following is from the recent Life of Edison: "Considerable speculation has been indulged in as to the origin of the expression, 'Hello!' as applied to telephonic conversation. Mr. E. P. Fish, president of the American Telephone Company, gives the credit to Ed'son. 'Years ago,' says Mr. Fish, 'when the telephone first came into use, people were accustomed to ring a bell and then say, ponderously, 'Are you there?' 'Are you ready to talk?' Well, Mr. Edison did away with that awkward way of doing things. He caught up a receiver one day, and yelled into the transmitter one word—a most satisfactory, capable, soul-satisfying word, 'Hello!' It has gone clear around the world. The Japs use it; it is heard in Turkey; Russia could not do without it, and neither could Patagonia."

A SWEET VOICE.

O, father, I wish I could sing! It's so nice to give pleasure to people. Florence sang at the Luther League last night, and we all enjoyed it so much. She sings every night to her father, too. I'd give anything if I could sing. But there's no use wishing; there's no music in me."

"Is that so?" asked her father, taking her wistful face between his hands. "Well, perhaps you can't sing, but don't tell me your voice has no music in it. To me it is full of music."

"Why, father, how can you say so?"

"Almost every evening," answered the father, "when I come home, the first thing I hear is a merry laugh, and it rests me, no matter how tired I am. Yesterday I heard the voice saying: 'Don't cry, Buddie; sister'll mend it for you.' Sometimes I hear it reading to grandmother. Last week I heard it telling Mary, 'I'm sorry your head aches; I'll do the dishes tonight.'"

"That is the kind of music I like best. Don't tell me my little daughter hasn't a sweet voice."—Round Table.

When Mr. Roosevelt was a little boy in short breeches, he confessed to his mother that he was afraid to go into church because the zeal might jump out at him from somewhere. His mother was puzzled, and asked, "What is the zeal?" "Why," exclaimed Theodore, "some big animal, I suppose, like a dragon or an alligator. The minister read from the Bible about it." Down came the concordance, and texts containing the word "zeal" were read aloud, until the child's voice grew excited as he exclaimed, "That's it—the last one you read." It was Psalm 69:9: "For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up."—Selected.

N. A. D. Members

The following members of the National Association of the Deaf have paid their dues and are in good standing January 1st, 1912:

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 J. M. Robertson,
 T. D'Arcy Wilson,
 Smith Williams,

ARIZONA.

None.

ARKANSAS.

None.

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 Norman V. Lewis,
 L. A. Palmer,
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 Isadore Selig,
 Elizabeth H. Taylor,
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IDAHO.

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 Mrs. Julia V. Axling,

ILLINOIS.

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 Geo. T. Dougherty,

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James E. Bradford, the successful candidate for corporation counsel at the recent city election, is a cousin of J. L. Smith, of Minneapolis.

OHIO TO THE FRONT.

The selection of Cleveland has been justified. Ohio has made good, as shown by its having by far the longest list of paid up members in the N. A. D.

TIME CHANGES OPINIONS.

A year ago we were not wholly pleased when the suffrage amendment passed, and we felt that the real sentiment of the majority of the women had not been ascertained. But woman suffrage certainly seems to have justified itself in our city during the short time it has been in force. At the recall election last year, and at the recent municipal election, it was undoubtedly the woman vote that downed H. C. Gill, and all that his administration as mayor would mean. The best men were of course all against Gill, but their numbers were not sufficient to win at the polls without the help of the women.

WITH THOSE WHO WON.

Who says the women do not know how to vote. The editor of this paper voted at charter election and voted for the winners in every case with one exception. R.

A MOTTO.

As Cleveland wants a motto to boom its forthcoming convention we suggest this:

"On to Cleveland and Progress." R.

ROWLAND B. LLOYD.

The current Silent Worker has an eloquent tribute by Geo. S. Porter to Rowland B. Lloyd, who passed away not long ago. The death of this gentleman has been commented on in many papers of the deaf. We had the pleasure of meeting him once. He was in Seattle with his wife, having come west to visit his son and being in the city to take in the Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition. He and his wife called on us, but were able to remain only a very short time. He made a very pleasant impression of alertness, intelligence, and refinement. We can well appreciate that those who knew him better must greatly mourn his loss.

SEATTLE FOR CIVIL RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Seattle has just passed through one of the warmest local campaigns in its history.

H. C. Gill, who was recalled a year ago, led the fight for the open-town saloon, sporting element, aided by a few who had a personal dislike to the other candidate.

Geo. F. Cotterill represented the home, church, law enforcement and progressive business element.

Mr. Cotterill won by about 800 majority and there is rejoicing among the home lovers.

The mayor-elect is a clean honorable man and we look forward to much for Seattle during his incumbency. R.

CLEVELAND IS THE RIGHT PLACE.

Bro. Pach comes out in favor of Omaha as the best place for holding the next N. A. D. convention. The choice of Cleveland was utterly without significance and wholly unwarranted by the business interests of the N. A. D. and the realization of the mistake is becoming more and more apparent as time goes on. It is not too late to correct the error, nor can it be done too soon.

The above written by Rev. J. H. Cloud appeared in a recent issue of the Silent Worker.

Such talk is easy, but to bring proofs to back up the assertions is another thing.

Why should Omaha have been chosen? The last convention was held near there and some other section of the country was fairly entitled to the next. The plea that the oral situation in Nebraska demanded the location of the convention in Omaha lacks strength. Did the outpouring against oralism at the last convention help greatly to prevent what took place in Nebraska? Other sections of the country are in danger

of just what transpired in Nebraska.

The Executive Committee made their selection after a year of deliberation and did what they believed for the best interest of the deaf as a whole. That things were not guided by any selfishness is evident by the fact that three of the committee live west of Omaha.

Letters we have received from the east as well as the voice of the deaf press is almost unanimous in support of Cleveland. This attack on Cleveland during the illness of Mr. Bates is cowardly.

In a letter to Mr. Hanson written before the selection was made, an Iowa gentleman said, "If Omaha is selected Mr. J. S. Long will not be a candidate for any office." This would cause us to think that some people think Mr. Hanson is trying to locate the convention to best promote his candidacy for re-election. On the contrary, nothing is farther from his thoughts. In fact we do not believe he will be a candidate for re-election unless conditions should so shape themselves that it would seem best for him to retain the office.

If you must attack the choice of Cleveland, give some substantial reason for it. R.

"LIGHT" PHONE FOR DEAF- MUTES NEWLY INVENTED.

William E. Shaw, 11 Grove street, whose wife is a deaf-mute, inspired by her inability to receive messages over the telephone, has invented an electric arrangement which flashes letters and numerals which deaf persons can read. He calls it a deaf-mute's telephone. On an ornamental board, which may be attached to a wall of a room, Shaw has arranged 36 incandescent lamps, and through the operations of a keyboard, connection is made with lamps and thus words are spelled or figures announced.

Over each lamp is a letter of the common alphabet, lamps and letters being arranged in order. Each lamp is connected with a separate keyboard, which may be held by a person, or placed within easy reach of several who desire to converse. Pressure on a key makes contact with a lamp, and the words are rapidly spelled. The keyboard is connected with the electrical lighting circuit in a residence, and where a house is not wired for electricity batteries of sufficient power will provide the current as well.

Mr. Shaw is a graduate of the American School for the Deaf at Hartford, Conn., and intends soon to give an exhibition of his invention there. He is at present employed at the General Electric Company.—Daily Eve. Item, Lynn, Mass., Feb. 5, 1912.

LOCAL NEWS

Eddie Spieler was down from Bel-
lingham a few days a week ago.

Bible class next Sunday. True
Partridge is leader. We shall have
a True leader anyway.

Fred Bjorquist, late of Vancouver,
Wash., was in town this week. He
left for North Yakima.

Jake Garberson departed for Alas-
ka soon after our last issue. He ex-
pected to make several stops on the
way.

Imposters seem to be flocking to
Bremerton. C. K. McConnell reports
another there. But they all speedily
flee when Col. gets after them.

True Partridge while out on his
motorcycle recently was run into by
a messenger boy. Mr. Partridge es-
caped unhurt but the boy was some-
what injured.

Marcus Miller of Tacoma was in
town Tuesday. He left here for Wal-
la Walla on business and expects to
leave for Alaska in April for a stay
of several years.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. W.
Wright regret that they are making
preparations to go back to the farm
in April. Autumn will probably again
find them in Seattle.

The carpenter and machine shop
of Roy Harris' father, of West Seat-
tle, was burned one night last week.
The loss was about \$5,000 with \$2,000
insurance. Roy lost all his tools.

Alfred Stendahl is cooking for the
Skagit Lumber Company at Lyman,
Wash. He has about 50 men to cook
for. What a leap year chance. He
encloses a dollar for The Observer.

John E. Morgan of Tacoma was a
caller at The Observer office today.
He is a young deaf Englishman. He
understands the English alphabet
and is now trying to learn American
signs.

A letter from J. B. Bixler of Wen-
atchee reports him very busy taking
photos for the high school annual in
his town. Some one said Mr. Bixler
was going back east to reside. We
hope not.

The editor recently received a
photograph of Jimmy and Frieda
Meagher. In the picture Jimmy is
looking alive and handsome, and
Frieda is wearing the bright and win-
ning smile that only Frieda can wear.

President Partridge is chuck full
of ideas for boosting the local asso-
ciation. He wants every one in the
Puget Sound region to become mem-
bers. Why should they not? Every
one who joins the society thoroughly
enjoys it.

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be a rude awakening to those who
had The Observer on its death-bed.
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P. S. A. D. MEETING.

The Association met Saturday ev-
ening, March 9, with True Partridge
in the president's chair.

Olof Hanson, trustee, reported a
further receipt of \$7 interest.

It was voted to increase the ad-
vertisement of the association in the
Observer from two to six inches for
six months.

Mr. Axling and Miss Burnett were
admitted to membership.

The president appointed a commit-
tee of Mrs. Swangren and Miss Blak-
eley to visit sick members when re-
quired.

Treasurer Christensen reported a
cash balance of \$146.95.

Mr. Hanson desired to know the
sentiment of the association on hav-
ing the moving picture film of Dr.
Gallaudet brought to Seattle for ex-
hibition. A committee of Messrs.
Hanson and Axling was appointed to
investigate expense, etc., and report.

A new membership committee con-
sisting of Mr. Swangren, chairman;
Mr. Rhiley, and Mrs. Klawitter, was
appointed.

A vote of thanks was given to the
retiring president.

AGATHA HANSON, Secy.

CARL IN THE POTLATCH PARADE.

In a letter received from Carl Gar-
rison he suggests a novel and orig-
inal way to give greater publicity to
the deaf, their needs and abilities.
He suggests that during Golden Pot-
latch week next summer the deaf hire
an auto and rig up a float—a sure
prize-winner—that would open the
eyes of the public in regard to what
the deaf can do.

We think Carl's idea an excellent
one, and hope that the association
will take the idea up and carry it out.
And Carl will have to come down and
ride in the float. If the judges are
ladies they will then certainly award
us a first prize.

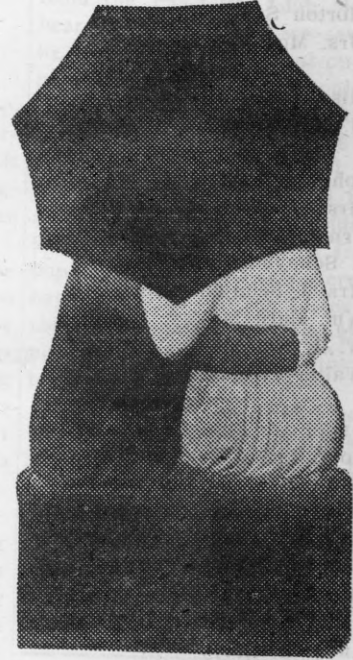
Lord! for tomorrow and its needs I
do not pray:

Keep me, my God, from stain of sin
Just for today.

Let me both diligently work and duly
pray;

Let me be kind in word and deed
Just for today.

Jimmy of the Washingtonian.



We have long desired to give a
picture of Jimmy Meagher of the
Washingtonian, but the above is the
best we have been able to procure.
We suppose it was taken during his
honeymoon, and is a striking likeness.

TO DEAF SOCIETIES.

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Mrs. W. C. Ritter,

WASHINGTON.

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J. C. Bertram,
Lawrence H. Belser,
J. B. Bixler,
Fred W. Bjorkquest,
L. O. Christenson,
John E. Gustin,
Mrs. J. E. Gustin,
Olof Hanson,
Mrs. Olof Hanson,
Roy E. Harris,
W. S. Hunter,
Mrs. W. S. Hunter,
Gilbert Isaakson,
Clifford, Knecht,
August M. Koberstein,
C. K. McConnell,
Alex McDonald,
Mr. J. F. Meagher,
Mrs. J. F. Meagher,
B. F. Morris,
True Partridge,
W. S. Root,
Rudy Stuht,
Ernest Swangren,
C. J. Vincent,

WEST VIRGINIA.

Emma Bartlett,
WYOMING.

Blanche Snow,

The following states are not represented on the list: Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Louisiana, Maine, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont.

WEST VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Marshall Bros.' Steam Pressing Co. is the youngest steam shop in Parkersburg and a most growing one. A small concern, but full of push and enterprise, starting since January first, they have in short time built up a remarkable business. It has been a period of steady growth, and to justify its increasing demand they are installing a new dyeing machine.

"Great oaks from little acorns grow." Being well managed with good judgment and energetic zeal, mostly through the efforts of Mr. Marshall, this little firm has had well-merited success and they have the pleasure of seeing the acorn planted with the New Year developed into the sturdy oak of today. The shop is splendidly equipped with every modern convenience. In connection with their business they have the agency for two or three of the leading tailoring establishments of the country, and employ a skilled tailor to attend to such things as alteration and repairing whenever necessary.

Mr. Frank E. Philpott, formerly of Chicago, Ill., is starting a new up-to-date printing office for himself at Clendenin, W. Va. Mr. Philpott is especially fitted for that kind of business, having taken up most of the work while in the employ of the Rand McNally Co. of Chicago, where he had the honor of holding a responsible position as section overseer in the composing room, and being thoroughly versed in its principles, promises to shoulder up a successful business. (Phil., watch that little acorn grow.)

Mr. Cary Twyford who has been conducting a very successful business for himself at Spencer for several years, as a custom tailor, will hereafter run a steam pressing shop, exclusively which proves, in many instances, more profitably.

(Cary, don't imagine that success is merely "good fortune," and that the great works of men is the result of a genius that require no labor or study.)

Mr. Chas. B. Deem, General Compiler for State of W. Va. for the Bacheberle Interstate Directory of the Deaf, is reviewing the list of the W. Va. section of the directory for final corrections, and expects to have the matter in the hands of the printers sometime in February. The time for completion and sale of the directory will be announced later.

Rev. Mr. Whildin preached to a very small congregation at St. John Episcopal church in Charleston on Feb. 26. His subject was "A Prince of Life," which was interestingly handled. Miss Grace Davis and Frank E. Philpott of Clendenin were present. Mr. Whildin left for home on

the completion of his preaching trip in the state.

Joseph Auldridge has a steady "sit" at the Tribune office. He and James A. Breedlove, who owns a partnership in the printing business on the west side, are members of the Charleston Typographical Union.

WASHINGTON GRADUATES

Edittress the Observer:

"... Instead of being an indifferent helper, as is the common fault with deaf graduates here in Washington, etc."—Daphne in the Observer of Feb. 15, 1912.

Land of Goshen, what light she put us graduates of the Washington school for the deaf in! I for one most emphatically object to the term used by fair headed sweet looking Daphne. There is absolutely no warrant for such a criticism or rather fault-finding of hers. Taken as a whole we graduates of the Washington school can stand a fair comparison with the graduates from any school in the U. S., and any more can hardly be expected of us. Fully fifty per cent of us have gone to college to receive a higher education and that I believe is more than any other school can boast of. And with such a large number of graduates going to college and when taking in consideration the fact that the school is so young, we can not expect that the graduates could, as yet, have accomplished much "big things." It may take years in time to come before the graduates will be able to make their mark in the deaf world; but surely it will come some day anyway and some have already succeeded in getting into the limelight. Take for example Edmund Price of Los Angeles, Cal., who but a year or so ago received the Carnegie Hero Medal for bravery shown in saving a small child's life. Mr. Lindstrom has been too busy in academic works and in teaching the young ideas and getting married, etc., that he could ill have spent his time in helping others. The Mesdames Wright, Lindstrom, Bertam, Lawrence, Bodley and Henry have all been too busy in keeping their houses in good order and helping their husbands in the struggle of existence in this world of ours where there is so much keen competition. We can not expect a married woman to be much of a helper in the literary world or in the way of catching imposters, her duty binds her to her kitchen and the care of her children. When she fulfills these duties then her obligations toward the community and state are fulfilled.

In mentioning imposters we can inform Daphne that the graduates of the Washington school have done their duty in suppressing this fraud

whenever there was a chance. The writer has had the honor (?) of catching two of them—the first one in Chicago, Ill., in February, 1910, and the other at Canton, S. D., in August the same year. That fellow in Chicago was caught but half a block from the Pas-a-Pas Club also in the heart of the city and we saw to that he was given employment on the rock pile as long as the law would permit. The man at Canton was by the police chief allowed to shake the dust of the city behind him; but I told the chief, that to allow such a fellow to go, was far from upholding the strong arm of the law. A few newspaper articles in a few different languages stopped the imposter evil in this state, and I dare say there has not been a single imposter in this town.

If the boys—the graduates of the Washington school for the deaf—get a chance, I have no doubt but that they will land him in the jail all right.

We have no objection to fair criticism; but such fault-finding as Daphne served us with is not wanted.

E. L. SCHETNAN.

Dupree, S. D., March, '12.

PUGET SOUND ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

Every deaf person in the Puget Sound country is or should be a member of this association.

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Also come and meet your fellow deaf for a social time, intellectual advancement and moral uplift.

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Vice-President—Mrs. A. W. Wright.
Secretary—Mrs. Agatha Hanson.
Treasurer—L. C. Christensen.
Sergeant-at-Arms—W. S. Root.

PORTLAND, ORE.

Miss B. B. Bond entertained the Card Club on St. Valentine's Day. A very enjoyable time was reported and dainty refreshment served.

Mr. Christenson of Salem, Ore., was a visitor among friends a fortnight ago.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Fay were down from Vancouver Sunday before last and attended church. Their friends are always pleased to see them. Come often!

During Mr. Olof Hanson's latest trip to Vancouver, he ran over to Portland to attend the P. D. L. Society. He was admitted as an honorary member of the society. He spent the night at Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Reichle's home. It is quite a treat to have him come once in a while and his friends will be sorry when he ceases his visits.

The masquerade social given by the F. N. S. D. was a success. Mrs. D. White as a dancing girl won the prize for the handsomest dressed; Mrs. J. Fisher for the ugliest and Miss Essen of Coma, Wash., for the unknown. About sixty attended. The merry-makers whiled away the time in various amusements and a good time.

Mrs. Guy Gilbert and Miss Leona Penland of Ridgefield, Wash., were down to attend the masquerade social. Ridgefield not being very far from here the two young ladies make frequent visits here.

Miss Bond is enjoying a visit from her mother of Canada. Her sister was down from Vancouver, B. C. for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith have moved to 825 E. Stark Street near 27th.

Mrs. Robert Turner and daughter Ruby were recent guests of Miss Ella Gerstle. In company with Miss Iverson the four attended a moving picture show Saturday evening. Mrs. Turner has gone to Marshfield to live.

OREGONIAN.

SPOKANE, WASH.

The Deaf of Spokane have lost nearly all control of the Acme Club. Roy Slightam has demanded an explanation from the deaf officials as to why they have shown no interest in the club, and why they have not been present at any of the meetings since the 24th of February.

I have received the resignations of William Henrich and Kenneth Willman. In their reasons for resigning they both name James H. O'Leary as the third party. The constitution authorizes the president the power to expell or suspend any member or official of the club and it is expected that more resignations will be received soon. When asked if the club would disband, Mr. Slightam said it would not but that it would doubtless

fall into the hands of the hearing members. I can see nothing to these resignations except they are from soft minded persons. As I understand it, Mr. O'Leary objected to Willman and Henrich being members on account of me not being a union man.

The resignations read thus:

Spokane, Mar. 4th, 1912.

Acme Club:

I hereby resign from the Acme Club for reasons that James A. O'Leary bjects to the non-union membership of Ross Slightam, its president.

(Signed). W. R. HENRICH.

Spokane, Mar. 4th, 1912.

Acme Club:

I resign from the club because Ross Slightam, its president is a non-union man, and Mr. O'Leary objects to it.

K. G. WILLMAN.

Rose Slightam said he had accepted the resignations, first because he did not want the club run by such persons; second, because he thought it would be run better in the hands of the hearing members. I am only sorry they let it get the better of them, but the blame can be put onto only one person.

I have nothing further to say now.

Roy Hawley has become the motor cycle leader among the deaf here and just to make you jealous he hints that it has an extra back seat to it too.

Billy Henrich has signed for a trial with the Dolby base ball team here. If he makes good in the trial he will be on that team in the City league this year.

John P. Frisby has his plans almost completed for a new 8 room house. Whew! Should think a smaller one would do better to start with.

Fred Lowe got disgusted with Spokane and hiked for the Montana hills a couple of weeks ago. He is at Boulder at present, we understand.

William H. Charles is still idle, unable to find work as yet. Better take advice. Be sure before you marry, of a home within to tarry, William H. You are getting awful fat too.

Mrs. Margarette Keegan, Powell, daughter of Mrs. H. Keegan of Spokane, formerly of Mineapolis, was married to Mr. Carl Carlsen at Coeur D'Alene recently and have returned to Spokane to make their home.

H. C. Raison, better known as Shorty among the deaf here, still holds his tailor position with the Peerless Co.

John Toner still works at the Inland Empire Electric Shops. He is certainly looking much fatter these days.

We want to know if the Observer is a Democrat and we want to know it bad too. In the last issue our hair stood on end when we came to the Roosevelt Has Made a Mistake. The

writer says he is disappointed in him. That Taft has done more than Roosevelt for the deaf. I don't see the light of it. We most all know how much Roosevelt has done for the deaf through the Civil Service during his term. And in my opinion, if ROOSEVELT was president now there would have been quite a different racket down there in that Chicago postoffice. No man who has read Taft's promises, can be a true progressive Republican and vote for him again. But as there was no name under the heading in the Observer we can only say "Nobody can please everybody."

"Boil it down," then "skim it off."

TOMMY.

Mr. Howard's latest service in the fight against impostors is a good one. A fellow appeared in Duluth a short time ago and tried to work the "deaf and dumb" game. Mr. Howard promptly had him arrested, proved that he was a fraud, and he was given sixty days. When he was taken up to be photographed, it was found that he was a regular crook and had a record of burglary, safe blowing, etc., against him. This event will undoubtedly strengthen Mr. Howard with the Duluth police, and they will be more ready to cooperate with him in the future. In this connection it is well to speak a word of warning to the general public. It is undoubtedly true that some of these fellows who go about pretending to be deaf and dumb are in reality criminals, and while asking for charity they are on the lookout for a good chance at burglary or robbery, and when they find one, they will either do the job themselves or pass the word to confederates. If the people generally would make it a rule to turn these fakers down hard or telephone for the poliec as soon as they make their appearance, this species of faking would speedily become a lost art.—Companion.

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